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Dear Sid:

Reference is made to CMCC Doc. No. 151X5.837 dated 19 November 1957 re: 3-Channel Data Reduction spares, our letter number 24335 dated 12 February 1958, and telephone conversations with 20 February 1958.

In referenced phone conversations, it was brought to our attention that several shipments of spares have been received by Bill Denard which contain items which FOG requested be deleted from its spare listings by letter dated 26 December 1957. Approval to add additional funds was forwarded by your office on 24 January 1958.

The referenced CMCC Document states that procurement was almost completed on lists previously approved and a check of the lists indicate that 81 of the 93 items now deleted had been previously approved for procurement.

Before taking any action with the Contractor, we would like to know whether the spares received were under the previously approved lists, or under the new lists and the number of dollars involved for the items received that were deleted from the new lists.

We realize that a good deal of time elapsed before approval of the present lists, as amended by FOG, was sent to the Contractor. However, in an attempt to keep the lists uniform for Customers 1 and 3, we routed your list of deletions through our Materiel Office here for review. After a period of time, when we saw that this procedure was taking longer than anticipated, we sent an approval in for Customer No. 3 (see referenced letter) stating that we were reviewing the lists with a view toward making the same deletions in order to keep the lists uniform.

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If the shipments received by were under the new proposal, we feel that they should be returned to R-W as unauthorized procurement. However, if the spares received were under previously approved listings, we feel that FOG should accept the items.

Your comments on the above and the information requested in paragraph four, above, will be appreciated.

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